## U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS POSTED RESTRICTIONS FOR THE INDIAN BAYOU AREA

All Corps property is managed in accordance with the rules, regulations and policies of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, under the authority vested by Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations. ALL LOUISIANA STATE and FEDERAL HUNTING LAWS APPLY.

A 2004-2005 HUNTING PERMIT IS REQUIRED TO BE COMPLETED IN FULL FOR ANYONE HUNTING ANY GAME ON U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS INDIAN BAYOU AREA.

All hunters (16 years of age and older) are required to have on their person a picture I.D. verifying age and their Hunter Use Permit while on Indian Bayou.

Users of the Physically Challenged ATV trails must have a state issued Physically Challenged Hunter's Permit in their possession. This permit can be obtained from the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. Class I and II Physically Challenged hunters may take their ATVs no more than 100 yards off any Physically Challenged ATV trail. All Physically Challenged ATV trails can be used by anyone 60 years and older.

The possession of loaded firearms, ammunition, loaded projectile firing devices, bows and arrows, crossbows, or other weapons are prohibited except during open hunting seasons. Hunters must have firearms unloaded at all times while traveling within the area by motor vehicle, ATV, horse, bicycle, and while in a vessel under mechanical power.

Loaded is defined as shells or bullets in the gun's chamber &/or magazine, or caps on muzzleloaders. Loaded weapons are not allowed within 100 feet of ATV trails, foot trails, roads, and pipelines; or within 100 yards of designated parking areas.

State bag limits apply unless otherwise specified. The only seasons open are listed in the annual hunting permit or on bulletin boards. All hunting is permitted area-wide except in designated closed areas (see map), or other wise stated under specific regulations.

Migratory bird and small game hunting is prohibited during either sex gun hunts for deer.

During open gun hunts for deer and while hunting rabbits with dogs, all persons in possession of firearms (including archers and small game hunters with the exception of waterfowl hunters) must display a total of 400 inches of "Hunter's Orange" and wear a "Hunter's Orange" cap.

All other visitors are encouraged to wear "Hunter's Orange" at this time.

Construction of and/or hunting from permanent tree stands or a permanent blind are prohibited.

All hunting shall be still-hunting, except as otherwise specified.

## Atchafalaya Basin Floodway System

Horses are permitted throughout the property EXCEPT during open gun hunts for deer.

Taking of outlaw quadrupeds and birds (Coyotes, Armadillos, crows, blackbirds, starlings and beavers) is allowed by properly licensed hunters and only with guns or bows during legal shooting hours of open seasons.

Baiting or hunting over bait is prohibited.

Deer hunters are limited to 1 deer per day and 4 deer per year (2 does/spikes and 2 bucks 6 points or better). A legal buck shall be defined as a deer with at least 6 points or better. To be counted as a point, a projection must be at least 1 inch long and its length must exceed the length of its base. Deer with both spikes 3 inches or less may be harvested on either-sex days only.

Once a deer is harvested, it is required that the proper date (month and day) be cut out from the appropriate tag prior to moving the deer. Do not use a pen or pencil to mark the date of harvest.

All deer harvested during gun and muzzleloader hunts must be physically checked out.

Deer may be checked out on the East or West levee during either-sex hunts. On the East side deer will be checked at the Ranger Station located in St. Landry Parish off of the West Atchafalaya Basin Levee Road. On the West side, hunters can have their deer checked by a roving Park Ranger who will be patrolling the West Atchafalaya Protection Levee. Only the Ranger Station on the East side will be manned for bucks only and youth and physically challenged hunts.

Successful archers must leave their tags in a drop prior to leaving the area.

It is unlawful to carry a gun, including those powered by air or other means while hunting with a bow and arrow or muzzleloaders.

The archery season is either sex except during bucks only seasons.

The use and/or possession of alcoholic beverages are prohibited while in possession of firearms.

Motorized vehicles, including automobiles, ATV's, and motorcycles are restricted entirely to designated roads and ATV trails (see map). Vehicles must park in designated parking areas. ATV's may be parked along the trail. Trails closed from 9:00 p.m. to 4:00 a.m. daily.

Vehicles having wheels with a wheel-tire combination having a radius of 17 inches or more from the center of the hub, (measured horizontal to ground), are prohibited.

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Tractor implement tires with farm tread designs R1, R2 and R4 known as spade or lug grip types are prohibited on all vehicles and ATV's. ATV tires are restricted to those with a with a maximum 1" lug height.

The following activities are prohibited on the Indian Bayou Area:

- Camping/overnight parking
- Fires
- Target practice
- Spot-lighting
- Blocking gates or roads with vehicles
- Climbing trees to hunt by driving nails, spikes, or other metal objects
- Using a tree that has existing nails, spikes or metal objects
- Use of tree climbing spikes
- Marking of trails, stand locations, etc. with any type of markers (paint, flagging, bright eyes, etc.)
- Baiting or hunting over bait
- Man drives for deer
- Littering

For more information contact the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Project office at (337)585-0853, 112 Speck Lane, Port Barre, LA 70577. Office hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.